(Rs. in lahs)

Place and Date	No. of persons Killed	Total loss of property
Gujarat :		
Ahmedabad (Jan. 5-7)	9	7·73
(Jan. 22-24)	5	0·38
(March 26-30)	4	0·05
(July 9-17)	49	63·16
Veraval (March 26-27)	13	246·98
Nadiad (August 9-16)	7	1·01
Baroda (September 17-20)	5	3·81
Karnataka :		
Ramanagaram (July 22-25)	5	3·34
Bangalore (December 7-8)	11	127·65
Mysore (December 7-8)	4	10·20
Madhya Pradesh :		
Sehore (February 16-17)	8	100·00
Maharashtra :		
Nasik (May 10)	8	43·05
Panwal (May 10)	2	66·48
Amravati (Nov 2-4)	7	5·83
Uttar Pradesh :		
Meerut (Feb. 26)	2	7·42
Nauria distt. Pilibhit (March 26-27)	26	0·54
Uttar Pradesh :		
Allahabad (June 14-18)	9	2·65

N.A. Stands for not available.

Identity Cards for People living in Borded Areas

487. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to issue identity cards for people living in border areas of the country with a view to checking effectively illegal entry of anti-nationals and terrorist elements; and

(b) if so, by when the scheme is likely to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI):

(a) and (b) A pilot scheme for issue of identity cards in four selected tehsils in four border districts of Rajasthan has been approved and is in the process of implementation by the State Government. The State Governments of Punjab and Gujarat have also been advised to consider preparation of similar pilot schemes. For the present, such schemes are being dran up only for the States on the western borders.

Entry of Palestanian Terrorists into India

488. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA:

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:

SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME FFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that five embers of the Palestanian terrorist roups headed by Abu Nidal have ntered into India; if so, what steps ave been taken to nab them;

(b) whether a red alert was sounded the Indira Gandhi International rport recently; and

(c) whether the U.S. Embassy has ked for more security?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) Government have seen some press reports in this regard. Appropriate security precautions have been taken.

Sale of Cotton by Cotton Corporation of India

489. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Cotton Corporation of India with its offices in Gujarat, Punjab and Marketing State Federations sold cotton against export quota announced in October/November, 1986 in international markets;

(b) if so, how much loss was suffered by each of these organisations by selling cotton at lower prices as compared to the international prices prevailing in the market in October/November, 1986; and

(c) what action Government have taken or propose to take for causing such heavy losses by these organisations?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) A statement is attached. (*See* below)

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.